

MEDIA PROFILING "GUN SHOTS & MUGSHOT"

"YOUNG black AND DANGEROUS IS WHAT THEY CALL ME/ BREAKING NEWS HEADLINES IS WHERE YOU'LL FIND ME/ GUN SHOTS, MUGS, SLAMIN US IN JAIL CELL LOCKUP/ PICTURES OF US IN HANDCUFFS ALL I WANT TO BE IS YOUNG black AND FAMOUS/ BUT THE MEDIA KEEP BETRAYING ME AS YOUNG black AND DANGEROUS/ YEAH, YOUNG black AND DANGEROUS IS WHAT THEY SAY/ LOCK HIS black ASS UP AND THROW AWAY THE KEY IS THE WAY/ BUT I SAY I'M ONLY ^{12 YEARS OLD} WITH NO POSITIVE ROLE MODELS ON T.V. FOR ME/ ONLY GUNSHOT, MUGSHOTS AND BLACK MEN BEING LOCKED UP/ WHEN IS THIS CAMPAIGN GOING TO STOP/

CHORUS 2 TIMES (AS HOOK)

"ALL I WANT TO BE IS YOUNG black AND FAMOUS
BUT THE MEDIA KEEP BETRAYING ME AS YOUNG black
AND DANGEROUS"

"FACE DOWN ON THE GROUND THE CRIME IS DUBBY/ YEAH DRIVING WHILE black JUST ANOTHER CASE OF POLICE ^{PROFILING ME} HARASSING ME/ BECAUSE THEY SAY I'M YOUNG black AND DANGEROUS, SO DANGEROUS WHITE WOMEN CLUTCH THEIR POCKETBOOKS/ DOUBLE LOCK THEIR CAR BECAUSE MY **BLACK** FACE IS WHAT THEY SAW/ FALSE CLAIM OF RAPE IT DON'T MATTER HIS black FACE FITS THE CASE/ IS WHAT THEY SAY, UNTIL DNA FREES HIM 20 YEARS LATER/ NOW SHE'S SORRY AFTER 20 YEARS THIS IS NOTHING NEW/ THIS IS WHAT THE MEDIA DO WHEN IT COME TO ME AND YOU/ GUN SHOTS, MUGSHOT ALL OVER FOX NEWS AS BREAKING NEWS/ 24 HOURS A DAY TO GENERATE FEAR AND HATE/ A public lynching BUT NO ONE IS LISTENING/ YOUNG black AND DANGEROUS IS WHAT THEY CALL ME/ BREAKING NEWS HEADLINES IS WHERE YOU'LL FIND ME.

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“ Young Black And Dangerous I'm NOT!
I Am THE VOICE OF THE STRUGGLE/ I Am
THE HEART BEAT OF THE STREETS/ I Am
Cold, hard, STEEL PRISON BARS/ THAT MAKE
you HOLER IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT/
I Am DEMONIZED by THE NEWS MEDIA/
AS THE MONSTER AMERICA MUST FEAR/
must HATE, must INCARCERATE/ I Am
STOPPED, I Am FRISKED, I Am VIOLATED/
And I Am HUMILIATED/ I Am ONE THREAT
THAT THE POLICE MUST SHOOT FIRST AND
ASK QUESTIONS LATER/ I Am SOMEONE YOU
WANT TO BE/ I Am GOD'S SON.

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